

Allies Bag 85 Nazi Planes

Our Daily Bread

Sliced Thin by The Editor
ALEX. H. WASHBURN

War Bond Purchases Slow

They'll Fight War, Celebrate Peace

Elsewhere in today's paper you will read Chairman C. C. Spragins' statement that sales in the Second War Loan are disappointing and that Hempstead county is falling behind its

This is not a new development peculiar to the immediate drive for the Second War Loan—it has existed for several months.

The April issue of the "Arkansas Minute Man," organ of the Arkansas War Savings Staff, Federal building, Little Rock, reports that while Arkansas as a whole exceeded their War Bond quota in the January-March period Hempstead county failed to meet it.

The state roundup of counties shows that all Arkansas subscribers in the first quarter of 1943 total of 14 million 563 thousand dollars, against a state quota of 13 million 100 thousand.

But Hempstead county's sales in the first quarter were only \$118,025.50 against a quota of \$127,500.

Only LaFayette county, of all our neighbors, actually reached its first-quarter quota, with sales of \$80,137 against a quota of \$72,500.

This does not speak well for the patriotism of southwest Arkansas. As to our prosperity, there can be no argument. Money is more plentiful than at any time in this generation—and it is with money that War Bonds are bought.

There may still be in some people's minds a lingering notion that War Bonds are supposed to be bought out of savings. That is wrong. War Bonds are supposed to be bought, not out of savings, but out of part of our actual living—that part of our living which is gone while the war lasts: The money we used to spend for new automobiles, for travel, and for the thousand other luxury items that everybody had in the good days of peace. All this we are now supposed to put into War Bonds, on top of what we ordinarily call our savings.

Currie aid that when the Zeros attacked near Amboina, they took to the assault in turns, two at a time making alternate passes. In the first pass, one of the "Liberator" four engines was hit by a 20-millimeter cannon shell and a number of machinegun bullets.

In the heat of battle, Currie tried to feather the propeller of the damaged engine but pressed the wrong switch and put another engine out of action.

With only two engines running, the crew managed to shoot four Zeros into the sea and shot up two others so badly they probably failed to return to their base. Its third engine eventually put back in operation, the big American plane fought on until it was no longer challenged.

Currie said what ultimately saved the bomber was the fact that the Zeros ran out of ammunition and were obliged to turn away.

Well, if you are going to live anything like a normal life when this war is over you are going to have to have an extraordinary amount of spot cash put away—not for your old age—but to buy things like cars and refrigerators, and for travel.

Here's an item picked at random out of this morning's papers which goes a long way toward explaining matters: It is Guy W. Vaughn, president of Curtiss-Wright Aircraft corporation, speaking at Los Angeles Sunday:

"We're going to have a tremendous war debt to pay off. Taxes are going to continue to be so high the American family will have to decide what luxury it would rather do without—icebox, radio, bedroom suite, automobile, airplane."

Personal injury damage judgments, totaling \$22,000 awarded by Mississippi circuit court against the Frisco railroad were affirmed. The award grew out of a grade crossing accident near Frenchman's Bayou, Mississippi county, Sept. 22, 1941 in which four persons were killed and two were injured.

Recipients of the awards were Fred Beasley, Joiner, \$3,000 for death of his three children, Margie Marie, Billie Sue, and Freddie Eugene and \$2,000 for injuries to his wife; Mrs. Beasley, \$10,000; Roy Neal, \$5,000 for death of his wife, and T. R. Whittle, driver of the truck in which the group was riding to pick cotton, \$2,000.

Welder Given Prison Term for Sabotage

Baltimore, April 19.—(AP)—A 20-year-old shipyard welder, one of ten arrested on charges of sabotaging ships by doing defective work, was sentenced to one and a half years' imprisonment today by a judge who declared war workers "must be made to realize the importance of their work."

Federal prosecutors said they believed it was first such conviction and sentence in the nation.

George Arnold Steele, formerly of Franklin Furnace, O., was convicted last week of improperly welding a total of 660 inches of ship steel while employed at the Bethlehem-Fairfield Shipyard, Inc.

The other nine men, all arrested within two days last week, have been held under \$5,000 bail, each for further hearings April 22.

Federal Judge William C. Coleman, specifying Steele must serve his sentence in a reformatory to be designated by the U. S. attorney general, declared:

"What you have done is serious—very serious. Persons in war work must be made to realize the importance of their work. If they cannot realize it, they should not be there."

Stabbing Is Fatal to Fulton Negro

A second degree murder charge was filed today against Eva Cheatham, 31-year-old negro woman for a stabbing which resulted in the death late Saturday night of Porter Arthur Anderson, 25, negro. Sheriff Frank Hill announced today the stabbing occurred at Fulton, near Hope.

According to officials the woman stabbed Anderson in the leg, severing an artery. He bled to death shortly after. The couple had had an argument earlier in the night in which the negro woman was struck about the body, the sheriff said.

Lloyd Spencer Here Over the Week-End

Lieutenant Commander Lloyd Spencer and Mrs. Spencer returned home over the weekend from New Orleans where he is on temporary active duty with the Navy. Lt. Comdr. Spencer will go back to New Orleans tonight but Mrs. Spencer will remain in Hope. He expects to remain in New Orleans another three weeks on naval matters, then will return home until his next call to active service.

House Votes Against Cotton Insurance

Washington, April 19.—(AP)—The House voted 92 to 63 today against continuing government insurance of wheat and cotton.

The crop insurance program had been stricken from the 1944 agriculture appropriation bill by the appropriations committee.

An amendment by Representative Pace (D-La) to restore the program was lost on a standing vote.

Hempstead Circuit Court Meets Today

Hempstead circuit court reconvened here today with Judge Dexter Bush presiding. Marvin Lowe, convicted of grand larceny last week, was sentenced to one year in the penitentiary.

Ray Smith, charged with forgery, dismissed. Several cases were reset for hearing.

The civil case of Lex Jones vs. Union Sawmill Co. of Patmos was in progress late today.

Crippled U. S. Plane Downs 6 Jap Fighters

By VERN HAUGLAND

Somewhere in Australia, April 19.—(AP)—Nine Japanese fighter pilots were so sure they had trapped a lone American bomber over Ambon recently that they lowered their landing gear to show their planes and enable them to get in more shots at the crippled quar-

But the level-headed American pilot, Lieut. Alden Currie of Golden, Colo., chose that moment to gun his damaged Liberator into some clever maneuvering, with the result that six of the fighters were shot out of action.

The bomber, which had been engaged upon a relatively peaceful photographic mission over the Japanese-held Dutch Island, reached its northwestern Australia base 600 miles to the south with five gallons of gasoline remaining in one wing tank and six in the other. Neither the plane's electrical system nor its hydraulic braking system was functioning.

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State to Close Case Today in Train Murder

Albany, Ore., April 19.—(AP)—After more than a week of testimony by a long succession of witnesses, the state expects to close its murder case today against Robert E. Lee Folkes, 20, Negro, dining car cook accused of the slaying of Mrs. Martha Virginia James, 21, Norfolk, Va.

Prosecutor Harlow Weinrich said he had one more witness to call, Dr. J. P. Deriver, psychiatrist who examined Folkes in Los Angeles.

Folkes was arrested there Jan. 26 upon arrival of the Southern Pacific Limited aboard which the body of Mr. James had been discovered near her sleeping car berth, Lower 13, in Oregon three days before the Negro accused by the state of sneaking into Mrs. James' berth and cutting her throat when she resisted his advances, was returned on a first-degree murder charge.

Defense Attorney Leroy Lomax contends Folkes was working in the diner at the time of the killing. He has indicated he will place Folkes on the witness stand in attempt to refute three statements the state introduced as alleged confessions by Folkes.

Knox, Shaver Seen As Court Choices

Little Rock, April 19.—(AP)—The Arkansas Democrat said Robert Knox of El Dorado and Ben Shaver of Texarkana "were being discussed today in statehouse circles as possible choice by Governor Atkins for appointment to the state Supreme Court."

The recent death of Associate Justice Ben E. Carter of Texarkana created a vacancy on the court. Atkins has given no indication as to his choice for a successor.

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AP Chief Urges Free Press in Post War Plan

New York, April 18.—(AP)—Describing government suppression and control of the press as a primary cause of war, General Manager Kent Cooper of the Associated Press called today upon the American Press to exert militant leadership to obtain guarantees of freedom of world news in the next peace conference.

During his speech at the annual luncheon of the non-profit news gathering cooperative in the Waldorf-Astoria hotel, Cooper paid tribute to the soldiers of the press and radio who have given their lives since Pearl Harbor while on war assignments. Those at the luncheon stood silent for a moment at the request of Cooper and at the same time all wires of the organization throughout the nation were stopped.

Tribute was paid at the luncheon to Frank B. Noyes, president and publisher of the Washington (D.C.) Star, former president of the AP for his almost 50 years of service to the association.

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State Income Tax Expert Here April 22

I. L. Pilkinton, Revenue Inspector, announces that L. A. Henderson, from the State Income Tax Division Little Rock, will be in Hempstead County on Thursday, April 22nd, from 8 a. m. to 6 p. m., to assist in preparing State Income Tax Reports. He will be at the Local Revenue Office in the Court-house. Anyone desiring any assistance in preparing their State returns, please contact Mr. Henderson.

May 15th is the deadline for filing State Income Tax Returns.

Germans Rush Reinforcements to Hold Reds in Kuban Area

By EDDY GILMORE

Moscow, April 19—(AP)—The Germans are stiffening their ground forces in the Kuban region of the Caucasus with large air units in an effort to hold their positions against a Red Army drive to push them into the Black Sea, it was said.

The Russians had thrown back repeated German counter-attacks.

Twenty-five enemy planes were shot down and eight more crippled yesterday alone in air battles in this sector as crack Soviet pilots thwarted enemy attempts to raid the Red Army positions, Pravda said.

Enemy ground troops, concentrating their forces, launched a combined attack on Soviet positions. Two German infantry regiments, supported by tanks and air units, hammered without success at Soviet front line, it was reported.

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The mid-day communiqué said there were no important changes on the front. South of Izium, on the Donets river front about 70 miles southeast of Kharkov, the Russians attacked during the night and captured better positions on a new front, the communiqué said.

Dispatches from the Leningrad front said Soviet bombers and Stomovik fighters attacked a large enemy fighter base on the Leningrad front and destroyed 19 enemy planes. The fighter escorts, it was said, accounted for six German fighters while the bombers broke through to the airfields and dropped their bombs.

The enemy base was reported to have been completely wrecked, increasing the probability of mounting Soviet air activity in this region.

The mid-day communiqué said the Germans launched fresh raids in an attack last night and succeeded in breaking into the Soviet trenches, but were repulsed after a fierce engagement in which they suffered heavy losses.

Romanian troops also were employed in the Kuban fighting and numerous hand-to-hand fights developed, but they ended invariably

Salesman Killed in Wreck Near Camden

Camden, April 19.—(AP)—William Lowe, 65, Pine Bluff hardware salesman, was killed instantly this morning when his car left the highway two miles north of Camden.

State police who investigated the accident said he might have suffered a heart attack. Lowe had been with the Fox Brothers Hardware Co., Pine Bluff, for 25 years.

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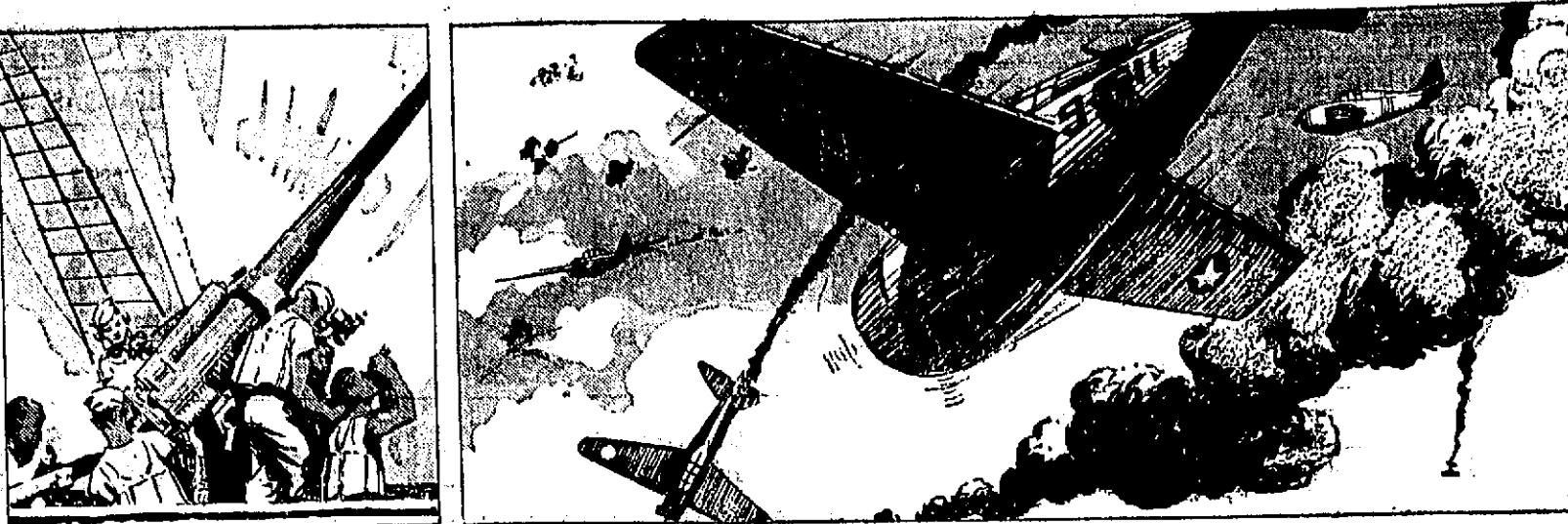
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Hold Everything**Guadalcanal Diary**

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Based on the Book-of-the-Month

"Anti-aircraft guns thundered . . ."

"Twenty-four Japs were knocked down by our fighters as they streaked for home."

SATURDAY, AUGUST 8. Cont.—As the Jap planes roared in to attack our ships in the harbor, the thunder of the big anti-aircraft guns was augmented by the fierce rattling of smaller anti-aircraft weapons, and the whole sound swelled in a quick diapason until it seemed to swarm into your ears. Suddenly I saw the first Jap moving in among the transports like some preying shark, skimming low over the water, and I thought, "Torpedo plane!"

Now I could see other Japs, the same flat, sinister shapes, prowling low over the water, darting among the transports. The ships were moving now, racing

for the narrow straits which led to the open sea. But the splashes of bombs and torpedoes were coming closer.

Our fighter planes dived into the fray. I watched, fascinated, while a Japanese plane arched into the water, and the slow white fountain of a great splash rose behind it, and then the white turned into a brilliant orange as the plane exploded and sent a sheet of flame towering a hundred feet into the sky.

The panorama of action stretched all the way from East to West. One Japanese bomber fell in flames far to the left. Now, to the right, two others were falling in clouds

of smoke. Then, suddenly, the sky was empty of Jap planes. The awful storm of firing stopped. I found out later that there had been 40 Jap planes; that 16 of these were shot down on the spot. And the remaining 24 destroyed by our fighters as they streaked for home.

Going back inland to catch up again with the Marine forces making their way toward the airfield, I passed two Marines bringing in the first Jap prisoners. There were three of the Japs, all of them puny, and none more than

five feet tall.

Down the road I met and joined up with Capt. Wilfred

Ringer, who was about to lead a party into an abandoned Japanese tent camp. When we got there we knew why he had been able to sail into Tulagi Bay and under the Jap guns without being fired upon. The enemy had been caught completely unaware.

When I finally found Col. Hunt's command post, the colonel told me that he had encountered no Japs all day. But, as the afternoon sky drew darker, and night came closer, the eerie feeling that we might have walked into a trap grew more pressing...

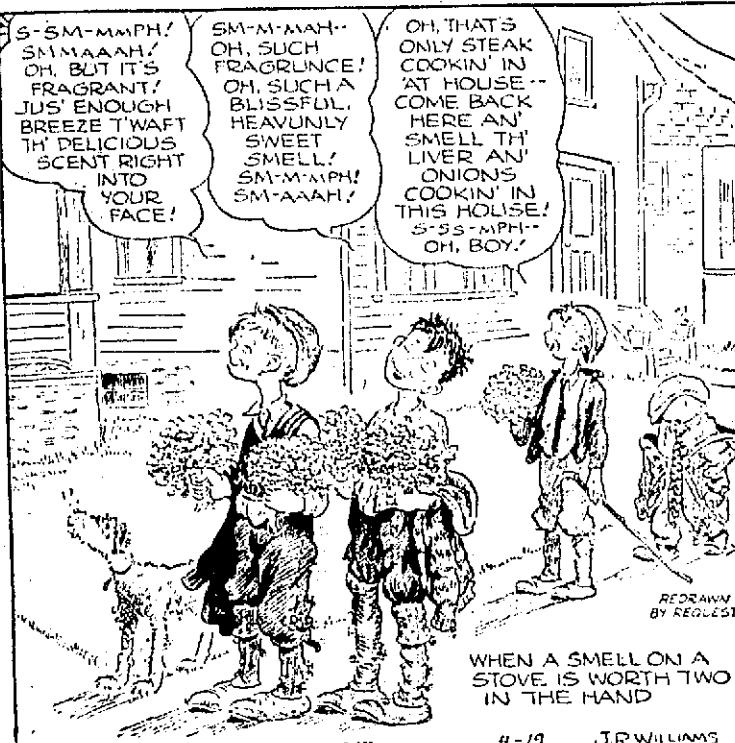
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SIDE GLANCES

By Galbraith

FUNNY BUSINESS

"Private Dobbs got himself a waterproof bed for the rainy season!"

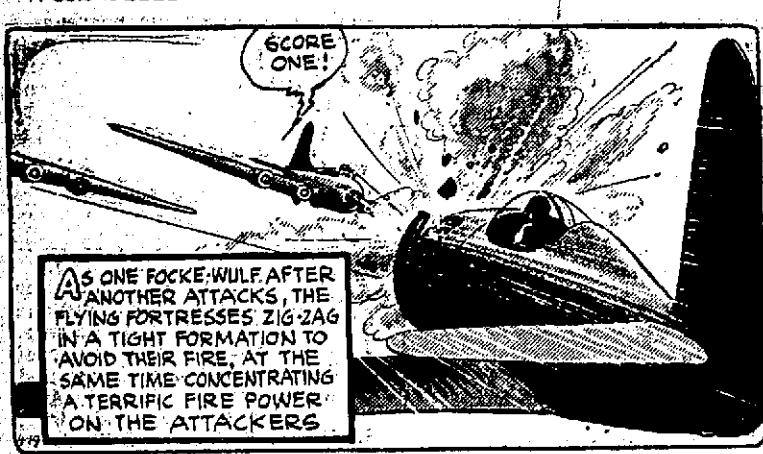
OUT OUR WAY

By J. R. Williams

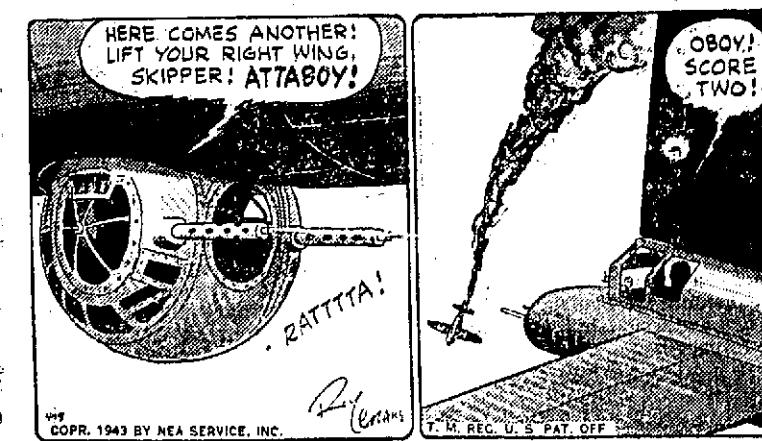
OUR BOARDING HOUSE with Major Hoople

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"It's the cheapest Easter hat I ever bought! Funny thing—when we finally get a bit of money saved up, it's no longer good taste to make a splurge!"

Wash Tubbs

Good Hunting



By Roy Crane

H-E-Y!

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"HERE COMES ANOTHER! LIFT YOUR RIGHT WING, SKIPPER! ATTABOY!"

RATTAA!

OBOY! SCORE TWO!

Red Ryder

Dividing the Spoils



By Fred Harmon

WE LUCKY YOU SHERIFF!

NOW, CHIEF! WE'LL ALL SPLIT TH MONEY FROM OUR LAST TRAIN STICK-UP!

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Social and Personal

Daisy Dorothy Heard, Editor

Phone 788 Between 8 a. m. and 4 p. m.

Social Calendar

Monday, April 19th
Circle No. 1 of the Women's Auxiliary of the First Presbyterian church, home of Mrs. L. A. Foster, 3 o'clock.

Circle No. 2 of the Women's Auxiliary of the First Presbyterian church, home of Mrs. A. J. Neighbors, 3 o'clock.

Circle No. 3 of the Women's Auxiliary of the First Presbyterian church, home of Mrs. R. H. Barr, 3 o'clock.

Circle No. 4 of the Women's Auxiliary of the First Presbyterian church, the church, 7:30 o'clock.

The Mission Study class and the Spiritual Life Group of the First Methodist church will hold a union meeting at the church, 3 o'clock.

Circle No. 1 of the Women's Misionary Society of the First Baptist church, home of Mrs. E. P. Callicut, 2:30 o'clock.

Circle No. 2 of the Women's Misionary Society of the First Baptist church, home of Mrs. Frank Ward, Park Drive, 2:30 o'clock.

Circle No. 3 of the Women's Misionary Society of the First Baptist church, home of Mrs. Bert Russ, 2:30 o'clock.

Circle No. 4 of the Women's Misionary Society of the First Baptist church, home of Mrs. B. M. Jones, 2:30 o'clock.

Circle No. 5 of the Women's Misionary Society of the First Baptist church, pot luck luncheon at the church, 1 o'clock.

A meeting of the Nurse's Aide committee will be held at the city hall in the Chamber of Commerce room, 7:30 o'clock.

Tuesday, April 20th
Slope Band Auxiliary, Hotel Henry, 3:30 o'clock. All members are asked to attend this important meeting.

American Legion Auxiliary, home of Mrs. E. S. Franklin with Mrs. Frank Ward, Mrs. W. O. Bailey, and Mrs. J. R. Gentry, associate hostesses, 3 o'clock.

Wednesday, April 21st
Mrs. L. F. Higgason and Mrs. John Ridgill will be hostesses to the Gardena Garden club at the home of the former, 3 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Herndon had a weekend guest, Mrs. Finley Ward of DeQueen.

Mrs. Julian Spillers has returned from San Marcos, Texas, where she visited Aviation Cadet Spillers at the San Marcos Navigation School.

Mr. and Mrs. I. L. Pilkinton spent Sunday in Morristown with their daughter, Mrs. Young Hargis, and Mr. Hargis.

Mrs. Edward White and daughter, Cherry, and Mrs. Brooks McRae of Fort Smith are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Van Sickie.

Seaman Luther Higgason, Jr., of the N. A. T. C., Memphis spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Higgason.

Texarkana Test for Naval Air Cadets

New Orleans, April 19—According to an announcement received this morning from Lieutenant Commander L. C. Priestman, Officer in Charge of the New Orleans Naval Aviation Cadet Selection Board, a temporary Selection Board will be set up in Texarkana on Friday and Saturday, April 30 and May 1. The office will be in the U. S. Navy Recruiting Station in the Post Office Building and will be under the direction of Lieutenant Sam Hocker. Lieutenant Hocker will be at the Recruiting Station during the late afternoon of Thursday, April 29, the day before the tests, to answer questions and to help applicants get their papers together.

Those boys who successfully pass the tests and who are recommended by their high school officials will be sent to New Orleans at government expense to complete their tests. Those men who are accepted for training will be enlisted in the Naval Reserve immediately, but will not be ordered to training until a later date. During their preliminary training they will be designed as Apprentice Seamen V-5, but when ordered to flight school their designation will be changed to Naval Aviation Cadet. On completion of the entire training course the Cadets will be awarded their Navy "Wings of Gold" and will be commissioned as ensigns in the Naval Reserve or as second lieutenants in the Marine Reserve.

Boys who intend to take the examinations should contact their high school principals immediately and make arrangements to get their high school transcripts.

"Jose"

"Si, senior."

"Those tablets. They are better than quinine. Do you hear me?"

"Si." But the man's voice was still mournful and unbelieving.

"Do you promise—on your word of honor—to give me the tablets two each hour?"

For a long minute Jose didn't answer. Then, just as Barry's whirling senses told him he had failed, he heard the man's mumbled, "Si, senior." Relieved, he collapsed against Jose's arm.

"I'll have to go back," Barry worried aloud. "You will go with me, won't you, Jose? I have to

Continue debate on agriculture department supply bill.

Jimmy Rogers

in "The Gay Sisters"

Also

"Calaboose"

Continues debate on agriculture department supply bill.

National League Holds Edge Over American Loop

New York, April 19 (AP)—

Playing with a zest generated by their World Series triumph of last fall, the National League clubs have defeated their American league rivals in 27 of the 44 inter-league contests this spring.

Four games of the same variety are carded today, but even a clean sweep wouldn't give the junior circuit a chance to take over the top seat.

The National League's edge was built up primarily by Brooklyn's 6 to 1 margin over American League teams and Cincinnati's sweep of the four game series with the Cleveland Indians.

In addition to their complete mastery of the once-proud New York Yankees in five games, the Dodgers are also the pace setters in the red flannel League with 11 triumph in 12 starts. Their only loss was to the Boston Red Sox, 5 to 0.

The Boston Sockers, incidentally, piled up the best record of the American with only two setbacks in 11 contests and have a chance of adding to that total in a patriotic day twin bill with the Boston Braves today. The games also will settle the city series.

Other struggles today are Pittsburgh's meeting with Detroit, in the seventh and rubber game of their series; and the meeting of the White Sox and Cubs in the last of the Windy City's pre-season series. The Cubs hold a two to one game edge now.

Beckworth-Elkins
The marriage of Mrs. Thelma Elkins and J. P. Beckworth Jr., both of Hope, was quietly solemnized Saturday, April 17, in Amity, Arkansas at the home of Justice of the Peace J. A. Hunter, who officiated at the service.

After a brief trip the couple will be domiciled in Hope.

Coming and Going

E. C. Hayes of DeQueen was the Sunday guest of his sister, Mrs. K. G. McRae, and Mr. McRae. Other house guests of the McRaes included: Mr. and Mrs. Joseph M. Hayes of El Dorado, Mrs. L. E. Hinton of Little Rock, and Mrs. Richard Thomas and sons, Richard and Lane, of Long Beach, Calif.

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• SERIAL STORY

DARK JUNGLES

BY JOHN C. FLEMING & LOIS EBY

HOPE STAR, HOPE, ARKANSAS

At Home Again



SPORTS ROUNDUP

By HUGH FULLERTON, JR.
Wide World Sports Columnist

New York, April 19 (AP)—New Jersey Senator Warren Barbour hasn't asked our opinion about his suggestion to revive the Joe Louis Billy Conn fight here 'tis . . . No.

Last year we were pretty much in favor of the thing until the surrounding circumstances became a bit too gamy, figuring it was an easy way to raise dough for the Army Emergency Relief.

Notre Dame's track team, winner of four indoor track carnivals, will split up for the Drake and Penn relays next weekend . . . When Lieut. Col. L. S. MacPhail turned up at the Pimlico races Saturday, the only thing he'd say about baseball was, "I like the Dodgers." . . . Lum, the radio comedian, is looking for a new record for shuck predictions. I can't tell how the Yanks will fare. Nobody can."

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Answering a question by asking one was Jimmy Wilson's reply told that his Chicago Cubs had some support for the National League crown. Wilson came back with "I won't predict, but a guy would be crazy not to be shooting for first place, wouldn't he?"

Frankie Frisch, turbulent mentor of the Pittsburgh Pirates, admits he was eyeing the first division "but in a war year one doesn't know what to expect. I think the majors will finish the season and draw well."

Case Stengel of the Boston Red Sox was equally silent. "I am satisfied with my team and that it is ready."

Goldie Novak and Jewell Salee, from going through with their scheduled bowling match recently, skinned and cleaned the squirrels. He cut a small chunk of meat and dropped it into the water-filled cup. "We eat" he said stolidly. "Then we try to make plantation before you feel sick again. You need more good medicine before you go back anywhere."

Barry's head was beginning to ache again. His body felt stiff and weak. Jose gave him the last two atabrine tablets, and later a cup of the steaming broth. Then he stretched out on the soft, fragrant bed of pine needles.

Barry marveled at the patience and gentleness of the big Mexican. The man had saved his life all right. He was lucky to have had such a guide. If he had only been as lucky with the Quiches, he thought bitterly.

Through half closed eyes he watched the Mexican as he made neat rolls of their blankets, led the mules up from the thicket where they had been tied to graze, took brushes and stroked their gray coats until they shone in the sunlight.

Barry dozed off then and must have slept for several hours. When he awoke the sun was low and the pine trees were casting long shadows up the slope. Jose was sitting by the campfire fixing some more broth. Barry felt cool now and refreshed.

Jose turned as he heard his voice. "I feel much better, Jose," he said. "Maybe tonight we could go back to the Quiche country."

Jose looked grim and shook his head. "No, senior, that would be folly." "But I must clear myself with them!"

"This is not the time," Jose said quietly. "You feel better now because of the medicine you have taken. Later when that wears off you might feel worse again. This fever is very bad stuff. We can not take chances of your getting sick again out here."

"But you said tonight we could travel again!"

"Si, senior, we travel, but not to the plantation where you can rest from your sickness."

Barry felt a tide of keen disappointment surge through him as he thought of delaying his business with the Quiches.

"You rest now until the moon comes out," Jose said. "Then I give you more broth and we will start."

"I'll have to go back," Barry worried aloud. "You will go with me, won't you, Jose? I have to

(To Be Continued)

Managers of the Major Leagues Are Doubtful

By HAROLD CLAASSEN

New York, April 19 (AP)—If all the indecision expressed by the major league managers on the eve of the second baseball campaign of the present war era were placed end to end it would be as elusive as an Axis communiqué.

The curtailed training offered by the northern camps, playing out the schedule that opens tomorrow with a new type of ball and the war's manpower demands — both of the immediate past and for the coming five months — have combined to make the managers even more reticent than usual.

Only Lou Boudreau, 25-year-old manager-shortstop of the Cleveland Indians, gave an entirely optimistic answer as the Associated Press made its annual pre-season poll of the 16 paters of diamond strategy.

"I am very much convinced that the Indians are the team to beat in the American League pennant race," said the youthful chieftain who is starting his second year as boss of the Clevelanders. "My club will be in their all season and definitely is one that will have to be beat."

Billy Southworth, who guided the St. Louis Cardinals to their world title last fall, said he was well satisfied with the replacements for Terry Moore, Eno Slaughter and Johnny Beazley — all stars of the 1942 team but now wearing Uncle Sam's uniforms.

"You might go to bed one night with your club in first place and wake up in the morning with it in the army. I don't see how any team can make a runaway of the pennant races.

Joe McCarthy whose rebuilt New York Yankees didn't defeat a single major league foe this spring but still are favored for their seventh flag in eight years, replied that it is "too risky to make predictions. I can't tell how the Yanks will fare. Nobody can."

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Sgt. Jess Davis Now Is Aerial Gunner

Jess M. Davis, Jr., former advertising manager of The Star, in the Army since mid-November, has completed his course in aerial gunnery at Tyndall Field, Panama City, Fla., has been made a sergeant and sent to the Army air base at Salt Lake City, Utah.

Sergeant Davis got his training in the maintenance of machine-guns and plane cannon at Buckley Field, Denver, Colo., and went to Tyndall Field for actual firing practice in the air. From Tyndall he wrote the following letter:

"I fly for half a day and the other half study machine-guns and turrets. We go up in one of the training planes here (Panama City, Fla.) or a B-24 bomber, and fire at a moving target that is behind another plane. The target is about four feet wide and about 16 feet long, but that isn't too big when those guys, you're high up and going plenty fast."

"About six men go up at a time, one man in each plane, and they fire different colors of ammunition so you can be scored on the hits you get. We fire about 1,500 rounds, and each time we go up we fire 200 rounds—so I'll get about seven trips . . . Then I'll be sent to another field and assigned to a squadron for the duration."

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**Analysis of
the News by
Mackenzie**

**Editorial Comment
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Moved by Telegraph
or Cable.**

By DeWITT MACKENZIE
Those great week-end bombing raids by the Allies into the heart of Germany and even beyond into distant Czechoslovakia, are indeed sensational news.

This means that United Nations air-power finally is putting the finger in a big war on Hitler's carefully secluded strength. It's the productive strength upon which he has been depending snugly to keep him going, because he thought it was outside the danger zone.

Take that Royal Air Force raid against Pilsen, clear across Germany and into Bohemia! That must have caused consternation in the Fuehrer's wind camp. When you say "Pilsen" you think of beer, but it wasn't beer his majesty's birdmen were after.

Pilsen is the site of the Skoda armament works — one of the greatest war plants in the whole world. It straddles over many acres and forms an enviable target for bombers, but Hitler wasn't much worried over Skoda because it lays so deep in the continent that there seemed little fear the Allies could carry out more than rare token raids against it.

The Skoda works have been the all highest's ace in the hole, for even though the more exposed Krupp armament works at Essen were knocked about, still would have in Skoda the balance of strength needed to keep his war-machine running. Moreover, Skoda is centrally located and so can supply his forces in all the European theatres.

But an R.A.F. fleet winged its way some 700 miles clear across Germany, in the midst of flying flak and attacks by fighter planes, to deluge peaceful Pilsen with death and destruction. At the same time another contingent of British bombers smashed at the important industrial cities of Mannheim and Ludwigshafen in southwest Germany. The two raids employed 600 heavy bombers, and 1,500 tons of bombs were loosed on the Boche. The British loss of 55 planes wasn't costly enough to make the operation unprofitable.

Simultaneously the Russians made another raid on Koenigsberg, the great German supply base in east Prussia. Neighboring Danzig and Tilsit also were bombed. The Red airmen inflicted considerable damage.

But the British and Russian raids were only part of the story. The attack by American Flying Fortresses on the Focke-Wulf airplane works at Bremen, resulting in more than half the factories being destroyed or heavily damaged, was a further heartening demonstration that Allied victory is on the wing.

This expedition represented the deepest penetration our bombers had made into German territory, and it was an astonishing feat. It was done in broad daylight and the huge bombers were unescorted by defending fighters. The distance was too great for fighter support.

This means that the Fortresses had to fly across about the strongest anti-aircraft defenses on the continent. It meant that they had to battle their way through clouds of German fighter planes, as is shown by the remarkable fact that the Yankee crews shot down some fifty Nazi machines. That indicates fierce combat, to put it mildly, and it's a further convincing exhibition not only of the free power and armor which these air Leviathans have but of the capability of their crews. We lost sixteen planes out of what is described as a large force.

All in all, the week-in's fresh display of Allied air power must be the cause of extreme anxiety to the Nazi high command. The increasing roar of United Nations bombers over territory which Hitler has regarded as secure, is the trumpet that will crumble the walls of Jericho and let the attack arms in.

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Market Report

POULTRY AND PRODUCE

Chicago, April 19 — (AP) — Poultry live 2 trucks; flocks; hens, under 4 lbs. 23; 4—5 1/2 lbs. 26; over 5 1/2 lbs. 26; leghorns, under 4 lbs. 23; 4—5 1/2 lbs. 26; fryers 3—4 lbs. colored, Plymouth rock, white rocks 28 1/2; springs 4—5 1/2 lbs. colored Plymouth rock, white rock 31 1/2; over 5 1/2 lbs. 33 1/2; broilers, under 3 lbs., colored, Plymouth rock, white rock 27; leghorn chickens 24; roasters 5 1/2 lbs. down 18; over 5 1/2 lbs. 19; stags 28; ducks 27; geese 25; capons 8 lbs. up 36 1/2; under 8 lbs. 35 1/2; slips 33 1/2.

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, April 19 — (AP) — Cotton moved in a narrow range today. Reports that the government now favored the sale of Commodity Credit Corp. Cotton stocks to stabilize prices in place of a ceiling were favorable received in trading circles.

Late afternoon prices were 10 cents a bale higher to 15 cents lower, May 20-21. Jly. 19-28, Oct. 19-26. Futures closed unchanged to 30 cents a bale lower.

May—opened 20.12; closed 20.10 Jl—opened 19.98; closed 19.96-98 Oct—opened 19.88; closed 19.84 Dec—opened 19.87; closed 19.80-81 Mch—opened 19.84; closed 19.78 Midday spot 21.94, up 2. N—Nominal.

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS

Chicago, April 19 — (AP) — With interest in the market light, grain futures marked time today. An early upturn in oats and rye was lost when wheat failed to follow the advance. A strong Winnipeg wheat market had no influence on the bread cereal local.

Wheat closed 1/4 lower to 5 1/2 higher, May \$1.43 1/2—3 1/2, July \$1.42 3 1/4—5 1/2; corn was unchanged at ceilings. May \$1.05, oats were 3 1/2 lower to 14 higher and rye was unchanged to 1 1/2 up.

Cash wheat sample grade hard 1.38.

Corn: No. 1 yellow 1.07; No. 2, 1.07; No. 3, 1.04 1/2—1.06 1/2; No. 4, 1.03; sample grade yellow 90—104; No. 2 white 1.23 1/2; No. 4, 1.20.

Oats: No. 1 mixed heavy 67; No. 2, 68; No. 1 white extra heavy 68 1/2; No. 2 white 67; No. 2 white heavy 68; No. 3 white 66 3/4—67; No. 3 white heavy 67; sample grade white 64 1/2—65 1/2.

Barley: malting 62—1.07 nom.; hard 90-95; feed 66-88 nom.

Soybeans: No. 3 yellow 1.08 1/4; No. 4, 1.03 1/4; sample grade yellow 1.09 1/2—1.15 10-100.

NEW YORK STOCKS

New York, April 19 — (AP) — Buyers liked assorted rails, selected industrials and a few utilities in today's stock market but many leaders were left to shift for themselves at slightly lower levels.

Gains ranged from fractions to a point or so in the forenoon. These were reduced or transformed into minus signs near the close and final prices were well jumbled. Dealing either way were on the light side and transfers for the full proceedings were around 900,000 shares.

ST. LOUIS LIVESTOCK

National Stockyards, Ill., April 19 — (U.S. Dept. Agr.) — Hogs, 13,500; active; steady to 10 higher than average Friday; sows mostly steady; good and choice 180—330 lbs. 14.00—15.00; largely a 15.00 market for weights up to 300 lbs.; 160-170 lbs. 14.50—15; 140-160 lbs. 14.00-14.60; 100-130 lbs. 13.00-83; sows 14.50-80; few 14.85; stags 14.75 down.

Cattle, 3,500; calves, 1,200; open, Friday; a few medium and good steers 14.00—16.00; choice to 17.25; medium and good heifers and mixed yearlings 13.50—15.50; odd lots 15.75-16.00; common and medium cows 11.00-13.00; sausages 100,000.

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Spirit Lake, Idaho — Now it's floating victory gardens.

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John Q. Citizen Little Short in Bond Drive

Washington, April 19 — (AP) — John Q. Citizen is the for some visits by his local war bonds volunteer

By last Friday night — when the treasury's latest official figures were sighted too late in each instance to stop. The first was killed about a mile east of McCrory and the other two close together about four miles east of Augusta near Patterson.

This didn't mean that the drive wasn't going along nicely.

The treasury announced a total of more than \$9 billion had been subscribed by Friday night . . . 70 per cent of the total sought had come rolling in within less than a week.

But what it apparently meant was that the cream had been skimmed off the pool of money which the treasury thinks can and should be invested in war bonds.

This cream, as Secretary of the Treasury Henry Morgenthau, Jr., pointed out, was the money from the big investor.

The big investor, generally speaking, is a bank, an insurance company, a trust fund, a public institution, and so on.

He is not usually the man in the street, the war worker, or the individual with loose cash in his pocket or bank account.

The big investor is an expert in securities, and knows a good thing when he sees one. That is why this class of bond buyer has napped up all but 904 million of the more than \$9 billion in bond sold thus far.

There are still 4 billion dollars to go before the drive for 13 billion in April goes over the top. Its the hardest part to get.

Much of this, says Secretary Morgenthau, must come "straight from the people — from the men and women who have new jobs in shipyards and on war production lines; from the men and women who are asked now to contribute in double measure as America prepares for its great offensive."

"Up to this point," the secretary said, "I am sorry to say that our reports do not reflect purchases by the individual buyer of small denomination bonds in an amount as great as we expect and must have."

"However, I hasten to add that we all have great confidence that in the remaining two weeks, the people will put their hearts into the job."

"As our selling and distribution machinery throughout the country gets into high gear, people will realize more keenly the importance of buying bonds in this drive."

State Nea's Quota

Little Rock, April 19 — (AP) — Arkansas had subscribed almost 75 per cent of its quota in the second war loan drive at noon today, state headquarters reported.

A total of \$4,534,001.96, which is 71.1 per cent of the \$6,160,000 goal, had been invested.

58 Big Junkers

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by coastal air force planes Saturday during an attack on motor transport and an air field in Sardinia — while, from all these operations, 11 Allied aircraft were missing.

Five of the Axis victims were bombers shot down during the second successive night raid on Algiers last night, an attack in which 18 civilians were reported killed and seven wounded. The communiqué said on a small number of such squeeze.

Ceiling price on cotton would be exceedingly difficult to enforce, these authorities say, because of the many classes, grade and tape lengths of cotton.

Administrator Davis is fearful, aides say, that ceilings might tend to discourage farmer from converting to the production of cotton of longer tape lengths — types needed in much greater quantities

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Three Soldiers Are Killed by MOP Train

Augusta, April 19 (AP) — A fast Memphis-to-Little Rock Missouri Pacific freight train struck and killed three Camp McCain, Miss., soldiers in rapid succession along a five mile stretch of road near here Sunday morning.

Traumans reported the soldiers were sighted too late in each instance to stop. The first was killed about a mile east of McCrory and the other two close together about four miles east of Augusta near Patterson.

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